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11. (U) Kuwaiti press reported on July 8 that Kuwaiti terrorist financier and UNSCR 1267 designee Mubarak Al-Bathali (see reftel) was released on 1000 KD (USD 3775) bail, but is banned from travel (Note: His January 2008 UN 1267 designation already bans his international travel. End note.) Press reporting suggests that Detention Renewal Judge Enezi presided over the case, but fails to include any information concerning the reason for his release. Embassy will continue to follow this and report septel.